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TITLE: Wood-veneered steering wheel comprises metal core, foam

casing, plastic

shell and veneer with external coating, forming damage- and

temperature

resistant assembly

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BASIC-ABSTRACT: NOVELTY - A plastic shell (8) intervenes between

the casing (7)

and outer wood veneer (9), which is closed over the entire

circumference, the

wood veneer being adhered to it.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for the method of

making the steering wheel. The metal core (6) is encased in plastic foam and

the shell is applied by injection molding or spraying. The veneer is adhered.

Preferred features: The veneer is externally coated by painting or varnishing.

Shell and coating (10) have approximately the same coefficient of thermal

expansion. The casing is applied by foaming-on, in a mold.

USE - To make a wood-veneered, metal-cored steering wheel. ADVANTAGE - The foam damps vibration for more comfortable holding. The structure confers a degree of protection to the veneer, from external forces. The shell helps to ensure the integrity of the thin wood veneer. Polyurethane is suitable as the foam. The paint finish and shell have the same coefficient of thermal expansion, to resist damaging effects of temperature change, which may occur in the range -30 deg. C to +90 deg. C. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - Structure of the outer wheel periphery is shown in cross-section. metal core 6 casing 7 plastic shell 8 wood veneer 9 coating 10 CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.2/2 TITLE-TERMS: WOOD VENEER STEER WHEEL COMPRISE METAL CORE FOAM CASING PLASTIC SHELL VENEER EXTERNAL COATING FORMING DAMAGE TEMPERATURE RESISTANCE ASSEMBLE DERWENT-CLASS: A32 A95 Q22 CPI-CODES: A11-B06A; A12-S04; A12-T04D; ENHANCED-POLYMER-INDEXING: Polymer Index [1.1] 018 ; P1592*R F77 D01 ; S9999 S1309*R ; S9999 S1434 Polymer Index [1.2] 018; ND01; ND07; N9999 N6086; N9999 N6440*R; K9416; K9676*R ; K9574 K9483 ; K9609 K9483 ; N9999 N7192 N7023 ; Q9999 07818*R ; Q9999 Q9234 Q9212 ; Q9999 Q9289 Q9212 ; Q9999 Q9303 Q9212 ; B9999 B4682 B4568 ; B9999 B5538 B5505

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